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TENNESSEE NEWS CUT TO THE QUICK FOR BUSY READERS

Thirty homes destroyed in Knoxville by a fire which started in a mattress factory on the outskirts of the city.

Mother's Day was generally observed over Tennessee Sunday, Gov. Rye issuing a proclamation recommending its observance.

The Columbian Iron Works of Chattanooga has granted a nine-hour workday with a wage scale of 42½ cents per hour. This is a reduction of one hour per day.

The grand council of Tennessee, Junior Order United American Mechanics, held their twenty-second annual convention in Columbia. Four hundred were present.

The twenty-ninth annual meeting of the Woman's auxiliary of the Tennessee diocese of the Episcopal church met at Chattanooga with a large attendance from all over the state.

Citizens of Clarksville and community have perfected plans by which the roads of that district may be materially improved. Many volunteered teams, plows and hands to do the required work on the roads.

"Less liquor is being sold in Knoxville than at any time in the history of the city," in the opinion of Chief of Police Haynes. Many arrests have recently been made and it is said that the campaign will be continued vigorously.

Only Maryville and Blount county money, it is believed, will be necessary to rebuild Carnegie hall, the boys' dormitory recently destroyed at Maryville. A committee has been named to make a whirlwind campaign through the county for the purpose of raising the fund.

Acting under the advice of his physician, Attorney-General B. J. Howard of Jackson, left for Hot Springs, Ark., where he will rest for two weeks. Hu C. Anderson was sworn in as attorney-general yesterday in Howard's place. Gen. Howard has suffered a breakdown from hard work.

The long-talked-of "white way" for the public square at Pulaski, is about to materialize. The town of Pulaski is moving its poles and wires off the square and officials of the telephone companies and the Telephone Company have been here to arrange for removing their poles and wires, and some of the "white way" fixtures have arrived.

The Continental Coal Company, owning large properties in Kentucky, filed a voluntary bankruptcy petition at Chattanooga. It is understood a reorganization is planned. Liabilities are listed at about \$3,000,000, with book assets of about the same amount. A similar petition has been filed at Lexington, Ky.

Business in all lines in East Tennessee has opened up in a way that is making labor very scarce. Judging from the advertising being done by various companies, it looks as though an organized effort will have to be made to import labor from other states according to dispatches from Bristol.

The new Jewish temple, erected at a cost of \$150,000, was dedicated at Memphis with appropriate services, in which eleven distinguished rabbis from all over the country participated. Rabbi William Fineshriber, successor to the late Rabbi Max Samfield, who started its construction, was the principal speaker.

More than 2,500 farmers of East Tennessee and distinguished visitors from other states attended the forty-third annual East Tennessee Farmers' Convention and Institute at Knoxville. The sessions were held at O. P. Temple hall, University of Tennessee. A stock show and sale were features of the meeting.

Stuart Renfro, 40 years old, killed his brother-in-law, Orb Salyers, 22 years old, at Elizabethton, Tenn., and then attempted to shoot Salyers' brother, but his revolver failed to discharge. Renfro is a prosperous farmer, and was said to have been intoxicated. He escaped as the shooting occurred before daylight.

The first carload of strawberries ever shipped from Lexington, where a Fruit Growers' Association has been doing active work for twelve months was sent north last week. The fruit and berry industry bids fair to assume the monster proportions in this county that it has in Madison, Carroll, Gibson and adjoining counties.

The stockholders of the Chattanooga and Memphis, the old Memphis & Charleston railroad, now the Memphis division of the Southern, in session at Chattanooga, elected Fairfax Harrison president to fill the vacancy caused by the death of H. S. Chamberlain. E. M. Durham, general agent of the Southern in Chattanooga, was added to the directory.

The Jefferson Davis highway advocates met in Jackson and warmly advocated the route to include Jackson and on south to Holly Springs, Miss. It was stated the distance via Jackson is a saving of fifty miles. Obion, Gibson, Madison, Chester and McNairy counties in Tennessee were represented at the conference, while a large delegation from Mississippi was present and much enthusiasm prevailed.

After twenty-two years of successful operation in Tennessee, the co-operative farmers' insurance companies organized during that period now have in force more than \$30,000,000 insurance, and the sum is increasing at the rate of \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 a year. The largest company in the state in summer county has policies amounting to \$7,000,000.

With the passage of the \$50,000 bond issue at Knoxville, Mayor John E. McMillan states that the commission will lose no time in providing playgrounds for the children, and he expects to have some of them ready for this summer. The bonds carried by the vote of 704 to 159.

The date for the forty-fifth annual convention of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, at Ovoca, has been changed from June 14 to June 21, the meeting having been postponed one week on account of the date for the Redpath Chautauqua in Tullahoma conflicting with the original date set for the Pythias meeting.

The Tennessee Military Institute, at Sweetwater, was partially destroyed by fire, entailing a damage of \$20,000, covered by insurance. The origin is unknown. The school will continue. Slight injuries were received by Fire Chief Young and Cadet Bruce. Most of the furniture was saved. The cadets lost much of their belongings.

Judge E. T. Sanford, in the Federal Court at Nashville, allowed sixty days for the taking of proof as to the claims against the Tennessee Central Railroad, and at the end of that time, unless the second mortgage bondholders shall submit a satisfactory reorganization plan, an order for the sale of the railroad will be entered.

Twenty-five contests took place at the athletic, oratorical and musical tournament held in Jackson and in which various schools over Western Tennessee participated. The schools of Madison County and the city of Jackson were the host for the entertainment, which was largely attended. It was opened by a monster parade.

A mass meeting was held Sunday by the Interchurch Federation of Chattanooga in the interest of world's peace and the organization of a state league.

The Tennessee Federation of Women's Clubs held their annual meeting in Chattanooga last week. They were greeted with a warm reception, and a rare musical treat was given on the opening evening.

It was announced at Clarksville that two of the big motion picture concerns will have camera men there on May 18 and 19, when the Grand Conclave of Tennessee, Knights Templar, will hold their annual session in that city. The Knights will have their drills at the baseball park.

On a warrant sworn out by Ogle Jewel, Mac Odom, 22, and Chester Willard, 20, have been placed under arrest at Woodbury on the charge of murdering young Oakley Jewel, who disappeared suddenly over a month ago, and whose body was found fourteen days later in a thicket near Woodbury. The murdered boy and the two men arrested are all connected with prominent and well-to-do families.

A new town is being established in the seventh district on the Birmingham & Northeastern railroad. The place will be known as Bishop, Tenn., and the division will be sold in lots, under the direction of the Bishop Real Estate Auction company, of Dyersburg, Tenn. It is understood that all trains will stop there daily.

Alban Samuel, an old Nashville boy, now serving with the regulars along the Mexican border, writes to his grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Scribner, of Nashville, and informs her that life along the border is somewhat monotonous and that the whole command would like to go forward. There is only one other place more dismal to the eye than the Mexican border and that's right in the center of the Sahara desert, says Mr. Samuel.

Lawrence W. Faucett of Chattanooga, recent winner of the Tennessee Rhodes scholarship, has left for England to begin his studies. Mr. Faucett is a graduate of the University of the South at Sewanee and has been for several months secretary of the South Chattanooga Y. M. C. A. He goes to England early to take up some special studies and will enter Oxford in October.

A minute inspection of the condition of victims of the fire at Knoxville, when thirty homes burned and 200 persons were left homeless, discloses the fact that not one of the families has an income of more than \$12 per week, though there are eight persons in some of the families. Appeals at the Stough tabernacle services in Knoxville brought pledges of furniture or clothing from 300 persons and more.

The Tennessee department of highways at Nashville has asked for bids for 500,000 gallons, or about four trainloads, of bituminous material for surface treatment of macadam roads. The bids will be received at the office of the department at Nashville up to 11 o'clock, May 22, the material to be used on the state highways in Knox, Hamilton, Davidson and Shelby counties.

This order doubtless be the largest single order ever given in the south for road surface treatment material and will treat about 100 miles of state highways in the four counties. The oils will be paid for out of the state automobile road fund belonging to these counties and will mark a new era in road maintenance in Tennessee.

The Lincoln County Breeders' association, for breeding cattle, sheep and hogs, was formed at Fayetteville by a number of representative farmers from all sections of Lincoln county. This movement has been agitated for some time by County Agricultural Agent A. V. Beard and D. L. Conger, who has near Fayetteville one of the best stock farms in southern Middle Tennessee. Prof. A. W. Murphy of the agricultural department of the University of Tennessee was present and made a forceful address.

Frightened by a large snake, one of the women in a boat became frantic and capsized the craft, resulting in the drowning of the three occupants and an attempted rescuer. The tragedy took place last Sunday in Reelfoot Lake, near Hamburg. Those in the boat who were drowned were Mrs. F. J. Bunn, Mrs. H. F. Keller and the two-year-old son of L. S. Hazelgrove, all of Dyersburg. George Hamilton saw the boat capsize, and in an effort to save one of the women, was drowned. All of the bodies were recovered.

Extensive preparations are being made for the annual state convention of the Tennessee Sunday School Association, which will be held in Lewisburg June 6, 7 and 8. A large number of the most prominent Sunday school workers in the state have accepted places on the program. John L. Alexander of Chicago, superintendent of the secondary division of the International Sunday School Association, will be present, and Leon C. Palmer of Montgomery, Ala., secretary of the Alabama Sunday School Association, will have an important place on the program.

Recently William Wilson, who sells tinware from Nashville, and Thomas R. Marshall, of McKenzie, who sells harness in West Tennessee, registered at a hotel in Belts, near Jackson. A wag changed the record to read Woodrow Wilson and immediately the little city was in excitement over the news that the president and vice-president of the United States were at the hotel, and the entire population turned out to get a glimpse of the distinguished guests. Mr. William Wilson, of Nashville, is now generally recognized as Mr. Woodrow Wilson, as he goes about selling tinware. He is a jolly fellow and enjoys the joke.

Vanderbilt men and women in Nashville, students, former students and faculty, completed the task they had set themselves in the Vanderbilt endowment campaign when teams reported subscriptions for a grand total of \$103,957. There have been large subscriptions in Nashville campaigns, but there has never been one of such magnitude from so small a body of contributors. No effort was made to solicit the people of the city generally, and the entire campaign was confined to the few hundred Vanderbilt men there. Another remarkable feature of the work was that it was done in four days—the shortest campaign of the sort on record in Nashville.

Announcement has been made by Captain Gordon Johnson, of Chattanooga, aide de camp to General Leonard Wood, that a feature of the coming southern military encampment in June will be the special training of a company of 150 engineers. Those announced as eligible for this special training are, any who have previously attended a military camp, been a member of the state militia, been connected with any commercial concern in engineering work or a student of any college in engineering work. Practical modern military engineering work will be taught this company.

LADIES AID SOCIETY

Mrs. J. C. Barnes was hostess Monday afternoon of a delightful meeting of the Ladies Aid Society at her beautiful home "Maplehurst." Ferns and roses were attractively used in the decoration of the reception room. At the close of the business session, a delicious three course menu was served by Misses Broshear and Craig.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Craig, at the Parsonage, May 22 at 3 o'clock. The Ladies of the Aid Society will entertain with a Silver Tea at the "Wayside" Tuesday, May 23 from 3 to 5, and from 8 to 10; the afternoon reception being especially for the older people, and the evening for the young folks.

"A DAY IN FLOWERDOM"

A large and appreciative audience enjoyed the presentation of the operetta "A Day in Flowerdom" at the City School Auditorium last Saturday night by the Cookeville School of Music. A nice sum was realized to be applied on the piano fund. The characters in the operetta represented flowers, and it opened with them preparing for the reception of the Floral Queen in Rose Arbor. After the coronation of the Queen the Flowers entertained her with songs, drills and dances; then all joined in a grand invitation to Spring.

FIELD MEETINGS

The following field meetings will be held on Tuesday, May 23rd. Buffalo Valley, 7:30 A. M. on farm of J. B. Denny. Seventh District, 10:30 A. M. on farm of W. T. Holman. Bangham, 1 P. M., on farm of Leo Matheny. All farmers are requested to attend as Mr. H. D. Tate, of Knoxville, will discuss "Corn Cultivation."

BLAIR HARRISON, County Agent

R. F. D. CARRIERS TO MEET

The 6th annual meeting of the Rural Letter Carriers of Putnam county will meet in Cookeville May 20th at 9 o'clock; meet us at the New Federal Building and find out the place.

Every carrier in the county should attend this meeting. Now, boys, we want, and expect every carrier in the county to meet with us on the above date. If after attending our Association meetings for one year, you feel disappointed, we feel safe in offering to refund to any new member all that it has cost him for dues. Now if ever, we should put our shoulder to the wheel and boost for a bigger and better Association. The Association has done much good, not only to the carriers, but to the service as well, so here is hoping to meet you all May 30. Yours Truly,

WALTER SMITH, Sec.

ASHLAND CITY, R. 4

Times are good here. Planting corn seems to be the order of the day. Haskell Sullivan turned two and a half acres of land, disc harrowed and rolled it Saturday. He was working some.

H. D. Whitson will soon get done planting corn. Mrs. John Eller is on the sick list. Mrs. Pearly Sullivan has been poorly, but is better now.

I will ask for a shower of birthday cards May 28. My address is Dana Sullivan, Ashland City, Tenn. R. 4 Box 85.

VISITS HER CHILDREN

In a letter to the Herald, Mrs. F. B. Garrison says: "I went to Clarksville to the I. O. O. F Home May 15 to see my three children. I found them well and they acted as if they were at home. I am very well pleased with the Home but now I missed little Willard Clarence, my boy who got killed with the live wire."

Do your trading in Cookeville where you can get what you want.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

The program for the Commencement exercises of Central High School to take place in the auditorium of the city school building next Monday evening, May 23, is as follows:

Invocation Prof. S. B. Yeargan
Chorus Class
Salutatory Vallie Williams
Duet Coma Loftis and Kate Davis
Class Poem Bryan Cowden
Class History Herman Wassom
Class Prophecy Campbell Hutcheson
Vocal Solo Emily Sue Dow
Class Will Anna Mary Cummins
Valedictory Willard Wirt
Chorus Class
Presentation of Diplomas Hon. S. W. Sherrill

Benediction
The senior class is composed of seven girls and seven boys—Misses Mary Cummins, Mildred Cooper, Emily Sue Dow, Kate Davis, Naomi Benson, Coma Loftis and Vallie Williams; Messrs. Ross Burton, Bryan Cowden, Campbell Hutcheson, Cooper Loftis, Victor McClain, Herman Wassom and Willard Wirt.

The baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. H. B. Blue, of Lebanon, Sunday morning at the First Presbyterian church.

TEACHER'S EXAMINATION

May 30 and 31 at City School Building

I am asked by the State Superintendent to announce that on the above date all teachers who have failed on any subject or subjects in the previous examinations may have the opportunity of taking these branches again. In other words, all subjects, including the Reading Circle, in the Elementary course will be given on those two days and anyone desiring to teach, who is of the proper age may take any or all of the subjects.

Examinations will be given in all groups of the High School course as heretofore arranged. In addition, a new group of subjects has been arranged for the benefit of those desiring to teach in two-year high schools, which is as follows: Spelling, Grammar, Rhetoric, Arithmetic, Algebra, General History and Biology. Those taking this group will be licensed to teach in the two-year high schools only.

I would say to those expecting to teach in this county that this is your last chance to qualify before schools begin in this county. I would be glad for any of you to attend a summer school, but do not depend on taking the examination at the summer school for you can not receive your certificate in time to begin school here. Under no circumstances will I recommend that a Temporary Certificate be issued where there can be a teacher obtained who is qualified.

Yours very truly,
J. M. HATFIELD, Co. Supt.

UNITED STATES COURT

The United States district court opened for the regular spring term Monday morning, Judge E. T. Sanford presiding, and Marshal Jonas T. Amis, District Attorney Lee Douglas and Clerk E. L. Donk looking after Uncle Sam's business.

There is a heavy docket of nearly 200 cases, including one murder case. Most of them will be disposed of rapidly and the court will not be in session more than ten days or two weeks.

The juries, litigants and witnesses make quite a crowd of visitors in the city.

SUCCESSFUL DEMONSTRATION

The demonstration of an oil tractor in farm work was held Tuesday and Wednesday on the farm of Jere Whitson, by A. M. Gibbs, representing the International Harvester Co. Several attended the demonstration and were highly pleased with it. Various kinds of plows were used, also harrows. The demonstration was so thoroughly satisfactory that Messrs. D. and L. T. Terry, of Cookeville, Route 1, purchased the engine on the grounds. Mr. Gibbs states that another demonstration will be given next Monday on the farm of Messrs. Terry, for the benefit of the farmers of that section.

MONTEREY R. S.

Dear Herald Readers: I will come again so you all will not think I am dead. I enjoy your letters so much I can't keep from scribbling down a few lines. Everybody has been busy trying to get their corn planted. We are having beautiful weather now.

Mollie Ashburn I saw your letter. How are you all? We are well. I stayed with Grandma last night and she is well as common. She is still getting birthday pennies. That beats all I ever heard of. She has got near seven hundred, and says it is a great pleasure to know she has so many good old friends.

Angeline Fox, I got your letter and was glad to hear from you. You wanted to know if Uncle Jonathan Padgett was dead. He has been dead for a long time.

Ora Bilbrey, what has become of you since you got to be a Tinch. Would be glad to hear from you. Tell me how you are liking your new home. Anzo Swallows got married the other Sunday and says she likes her new home fine.

Ida Miller went to Monterey the other Saturday night and got married and walked back. I guess it was a honey moon trip.

McMillin Judd, have you gone back to the army or got married. Thought you was going to give us a visit.

Beattie Rigby of Dayton, why don't you write a letter to be printed.

Lavaca Bilbrey.

DO YOU KNOW THAT

Light promotes cleanliness?
A clean mouth is essential to good health?

The U. S. Public Health Service issues publications on hygiene and sanitation for free distribution?



Mt. View Lodge No. 179 I. O. O. F. held a splendid meeting on May 13, 1916, Jas. H. McCulley, N. G. presiding with a good attendance. Quite a lot of routine business was disposed of. Bros. Bradford and York seem to be improving slowly.

The 3rd degree was conferred upon four applicants. Several communications were read and ordered filed. Bro. G. G. West writes from Rollinsville, Colorado on the top of the Rocky mountains and says that he could gather flowers with one hand and snow with the other.

The election of officers for next term will be at our first meeting in June, at which time there should be a full attendance, every one should be interested in the progress of the Lodge. On examination of the books it appears that quite a number of brothers are more or less behind with their dues, ten brothers stand to be dropped if they fail to 'come across'. If the brothers could get the idea, that it is just as easy and far safer to keep dues paid in advance. This hustling at end of the term 'to save one's scalp' is very unpleasant.

REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

The platform adopted by the recent Republican State convention contains the following planks regarding state matters:

We stand for honest elections, which is the very basis and foundation of honest government. Every man who is entitled to vote, under the law, should have his vote counted as cast, and for the candidate for whom he votes. Corrupt elections gives the people corrupt officials.

We stand for the honest enforcement of all laws.

We stand for economy in the administration of government, of all its branches.

We stand for opposition to the injurious fee system in all public service.

We condemn the issuance of railway passes to any and all persons not in the legitimate service of the railway. We again recommend the enactment of a fellow-servants law and we pledge ourselves to favor other progressive legislation beneficial to labor.

We condemn lynching as the worst of lawlessness and cowardice. No more terrible crime can be conceived than that of a mob which interferes with the orderly process of administering the laws. This is not only a crime against the helpless victims, but it is an outrage against law and society.

We favor woman suffrage on a basis equal to that of men.

We declare our opposition to the taking of any backward step in the matter of temperance legislation.

We favor the retention on the statute books of the four mile law and the laws enacted for its enforcement, written there as the result of more than thirty years' struggle between the people of Tennessee and the whiskey powers.

Realizing the importance of good roads in the development of the rural communities and their close relation to better schools, better churches, the advancement of agriculture and better and cheaper marketing of farm products, we favor advanced legislation for the improvement of the public highways of the state, a general and uniform road law and a law better safeguarding the expenditure of road funds of the state and the various counties, and pledge our support to the betterment of this important part of our government. We favor liberal appropriation for the cause of advanced education, the public schools, normal schools and of the state's university.

We especially endorse and commend the administration of Ben. W. Hooper as governor of Tennessee.

They denounced the Wilson administration but not a word against Gov. Rye.

LYNCH, N.E.

Greetings! from 'Mose' and 'Susie' to all the P. H. A. friends.

Hello, Pauline, how are you all? Why can't you write us a few lines, just a note if no more.

Thanks, cousin Lulah for the box of flowers.

Grandma, how are you? Why don't you answer the letter Cousin Dillard and I wrote you?

Health is very good in this part. Had two more dust storms the 7th and 9th which was fierce.

Cloudy today, the 12th. Looks like rain and you can guess Cousin Dillard and I wouldn't care if we would get a good rain to settle the dust. Wild flowers in bloom, green grass, and trees, the wild fruit trees in bloom, or at least most of them. Gardens don't look so well as the hot winds have just about cooked the most of them.

Farmers are planting corn, cousin Dillard is planting those half mife rows now and he don't plant by hand either, he rides all the time and drives 4 mules, O! he's not a misanthrope but close to Missouri, though. He goes a mile and a half from home and can plant from eight to ten acres a day.

Mrs. Dahuff, you must be visiting as we don't see any letters in the Herald from you.

Miss S. D. P. of Lebanon, would like to hear from you; also Mrs. Pearl C. of Ga.

Congratulations, to Laura K. and Pamel M., for the nice long letters they write.

Greetings to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jaquess.

Hollo, J. O. Rector, we miss your Herald letters, write again.

Dunken, N. M. I've been expecting a letter from you.

Cousin Orville, how are you? Mr. Dillard Peek, the writer and her father were in town Saturday.

Hillery Clinton of near Highland was in town Saturday.

Lola Lee West.

National Defense and International Peace

What the Engineers are Doing

THIRTY thousand American engineers are making a card index survey of American industry so that it may be prepared for its vital part in defending the Country. If need comes The past eighteen months have taught us here in America what lack of industrial preparedness has meant to some of the countries now at war. These nations had the ships and they had the men; but when the hour struck, their factories were not able to furnish the colors with arms and shells and powder. Their factories were not prepared. And our factories are not prepared.

What is not enough to draw a merit. In the United States five great Engineering Societies—Civil, Mining, Mechanical, Electrical and Chemical—have pledged their services to the Government of the United States, and are already working hand in hand with the Government to prepare industry for the national defense. They receive no pay and will accept no pay. All they seek is opportunity to serve their country, that she may have her industries mobilized for defense.

All elements of the nation's life—the manufacturers, the business men, and the workmen—should support this patriotic and democratic work of the engineers, and assist them cheerfully when asked. There can be no better national insurance against war.

The Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, representing all advertising interests have offered their free and hearty service to the President of the United States, in close co-operation with these five Engineering Societies, to the end that the Country may know what the Engineers are doing. The President has accepted the offer. The Engineers have welcomed the co-operation.

This advertisement, published without cost to the United States, is the first in a nation-wide series to call the country to the duty of co-operating promptly and fully with the Engineers.

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